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Hon. Ron Jones, Director
Tennessee Regulatory Authority
460 James Robertson Parkway
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Re: *Implementation of the Federal Communications Commission's Triennial
Review Order (Nine-month Proceeding)(Switching)*
Docket No. 03-00491

KMC Discovery

Dear Director Jones:

As you will recall, KMC requested an extension until December 12, 2003 to file its responses to BellSouth's discovery requests. BellSouth did not object to that motion based on KMC's agreement that BellSouth would receive an extension of time to file its motion to compel. Your Order of December 5, 2003, extended BellSouth's deadline to file a motion to compel with regard to discovery responses from KMC until December 17, 2003.

Unfortunately, KMC did not file its discovery responses on December 12. BellSouth received KMC's objections and responses late in the day (after 4:00 p.m.) on December 16, 2003. BellSouth is now in the process of analyzing those responses and will need the opportunity to work with KMC's counsel in order to determine whether or not it to file a motion to compel.

Very truly yours,



Guy M. Hicks

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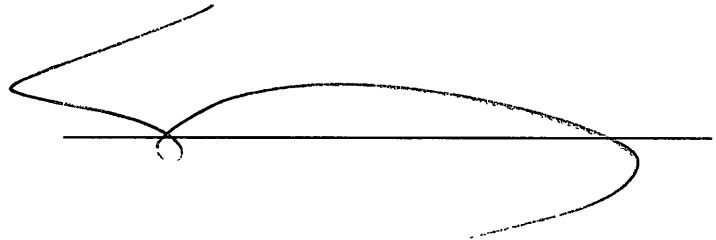
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